### VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate on Saturday, House amendment to Senate bill transferring the Cacapon and North Branch Turnpike to the County | was adopted under the operation of the pre-Court of Hampshire county was concurred

House amendment to Senate bill to estab-

Hampshire were concurred in.

Southwestern Bank of Virginia. bill releasing the State's claim to the fine im- sume its session. posed on the schooner Virginia, for an alleged violation of the inspection laws, was

Mr. August moved to take up the House | county in favor of the present Union. bill amending certain laws concerning the militia of the commonwealth. The question being on the Senate receding from an amendment of theirs, the Senate receded, and then the propositions of the Committee of Conference were concurred in.

The Auditor of Public Accounts sent in a communication responding to a resolution asking information as to any increase of tax- the consideration of the question of taxation es necessary to carry on the Government, until the subject of Federal Relations is disand to liquidate present and prospective lia- posed of. bilities of the State, in which he recommends an increased rate of taxation equal to 60 cents on every hundred dollars' value of property, and on every other subject in the same pro-

Joint resolutions were offered and laid is inexpedient and unnecessary for the Unitor naval forces in this State at the present of adjustment would more effectually secure to carry out the provisions of existing laws. to contract with one or more persons for the manufacture and repair of arms at the Armory; fourth, suspending all loans or sub-

A bill "relative to the limitation of suits. so as to limit the right to make an entry, or bring an action to recover land west of the Alleghany Mountains" was passed.

In the House of Delegates, on motion of Mr. Phelps, a substitute "authorizing the Auditor of Public Accounts to release the sureties of defaulting Sheriffs from the payment and ordered to its engrossment, and passed -ayes 84, noes 3. The following is the bill:

1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly. That in all cases in which the Commonwealth has obtained or may hereafter obtain judgment against the sureties of any sheriff or their personal representatives, upon satisfactory proof that such sheriff is insolvent and unable to pay the whole or any part of such judgment, the Auditor of Public Accounts may and he is authorized to release, in behalf of the sureties or their personal representatives, the damages included in the judgment, or the damages on so much of the money as they may have paid: provided, however, that in cases in which judgment has been obtained before the passage of this act, the damages aforesaid shall not be released, unless the residue of the judgment be paid and discharged on or before the first day of Oc- date for the Convention that he would wait tober next. And in cases in which judgment | for the Peace Conference, and for the inaugmay be hereafter obtained, the damages shall not be released unless the residue of the ral. His hope of the future had almost judgment be paid within three months from the date of the judgment: provided further, that in no case shall the judgment form of an ultimatum put forth by Virginia against the sheriff be affected by this act, nor in her sovereign capacity. Before conclushall any deputy sheriff, whether he be sure- ding his remarks, he yielded for a motion for ty for such sheriff or not, be released from the committee to rise which was submitted the payment of any damages which may be by Mr. Morton, and agreed to. recovered against him.

2. This act shall be in force from its pas-A resolution was offered by Mr. McCue.

and adopted , declaring the Penitentiary to have been an incubus on the State Treasury for several years past, and directing a special committee to inquire into the expediency of hiring out the labor of the convicts to some contractor, who shall employ them in drestentiary house and State Capitol, and also of the expediency of disposing of the fabrics in ing out that institution. ALMANAC

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### MARINE LIST. PORT OF ALEXANDRIA-MARCH 25.

Steamship Monticello, Gager, New York, to Schr. Mott Bedell, Rider, New York, to Jus. C. Schr. Minerva, Jefferson, Fall River, to Borden

Mining Co. Schr. Allen H. Brown, Edwards, Norfolk, to B. M. Franks. Sebr. Henry Finch, Davy, Jersey City, to Amer-

Schr. Thomas Page, Pharo, New York, to B. Y Franks.

r. Geo. Washington, Carroll, Machodoe, to Washington & Co. ir. Jos. Egbert, Hannon, Pomonkey, corn and wheat to Washington & Co.

Schr. Alena, Hannon, Glymont, corn to Wash Schr. Columbia, ---- Mattox, to Washington

Sloop J. H. D. Smoot, Beard, Farmington, wheat to Washington & Co. Steamor Gipsey, Baily, Plantersville, assorted

cargo to Washington & Co. Steamer Columbia, Harper, Baltimore, to Whoat

Steamer Jas. Jerome, Jerome, Philadelphia, by Wm. H. Fowle & Son. SAILED.

Barque Louise, Hasset, Liverpool, by B. H. Schr. C. W. Helmes, McWade, Boston, by American Coal Co. Schr. D. E. Sawyer, Burwell, Jersey City, to American Coal Co. Schr. Cornelius, Brendly, New York, by T. J.

MEMORANDA. Brig Condova, Jehnson, sailed from Warren, for this port, 18th inst. Schr. Richard Borden, Arnold, sailed from Fall River, for this port, 19th inst.

Schr. Globe, Ames, sailed from Warren, for this Schr. Village Queen, Hawkins, sailed from Portland, for this port, 20th inst.

Schr. E. Haight, Bebee, sailed from New York, for this port, 23d inst. Schr. Wm. D. Cargill, Hawkins, sailed from Philadelphia, for this port, 22d inst.

Schr. Geo. Franklin, Tyler, sailed from Baltimore, for Georgetown, D. C., 25th inst. Schr. Yorktown, Woglem. from Georgetown, D. C., arrived at New York, 24th inst. Schr. Eugene, Parker, from Boston, for this

port, arrived at New York, 24th inst. Schr. T. P. Coorer, Taylor, sailed from Philadelphia, for Georgetown, D. C., 24th inst.

# CANAL COMMERCE.

ARRIVED, March 25. Boats John Humbert, P. B. Petrie, Ann Eliza, Visitor, John Spencer, Emperor, M. Treiber, D. Morissey, and M. O. Shea, coal to T. J. Mehaffey. Boats Dr. P. A. Healey, G. W. Summers, and Thomas Sammon, coal to American Coal Co. Boats Juniata, and John Vanlear, coal to Frostburg Coal Co. Boats W. E. Webster, and Lloyd Lowe, coal to

Borden Mining Co.
Boats Mary Ellen, Sir John Franklin, and Wm. H. bryan, coal to B. M. Franks.

Boats Rainbow, and Highlander, for Washing'n.

VIRGINIA STATE CONVENTION.

In the Convention on Saturday, Mr. Conrad offered the following resolution, which vious question moved by Mr. Price:

Resolved, That on and after Monday next, and until further ordered, this Convenlish an inspection of leather in the county of | tion shall be called to order at 10 o'clock A. M .: at half-past ten shall resolve itself into crder. Mr. August, from the Committee on Banks | Committee of the Whele upon the reports reported a bill to amend the charter of the from the Committee on Federal Relations at 2 o'clock said Committee of the Whole shall On motion of Mr. H. W. Thomas, Senate take a recess until 4 o'clock, when it shall re-

Mr. Morton presented the proceedings of a meeting held in the county of Greene, and stated there were only four persons in the

Mr. Marye presented a simular report of meeting held in the county of Spottsylvania. The reports were referred to the Committee

on Federal Relations. The resolutions of Mr. Willey were fur-

ther discussed by Mr. Hall, of Marion. Mr. Sheffey read a resolution which he designed to submit as a substitute, postponing

The Convention then resolved itself into

Committee of the Whole, and. Mr. Baldwin of Augusta, being entitled to the floor, resumed his argument in favor of an adjustment of the national difficulties within the Union. He expounded at some over, under the rules, declaring first that it length the propositions of the Peace Conference as amended by the Committee on ed States to make any addition to its military | Federal Relations, and argued that the plan time; second, that such addition can only the rights of the South than that proposed he regarded as a menace or threat to Virgin- by Mr. Crittenden. He also controverted ia; third, authorizing the Governor, in order | the financial argument in favor of the Union of Virginia with the Southern Confederacy, by showing that the agricultural products of Virginia would be subject to a duty when carried into the Northern States, the people scriptions to works of internal improvement of which are our largest customers; while by until the General Assembly shall otherwise | remaining in the Union, we could avoid the impost on either side, as the people of the Confederate States would not impose a tax upon their own bread and meat.

In regard to the manufacturing interests of the State, Mr. B. said the Constitution of the Confederate States prohibited a protective tariff, and whilst the manufacturers of Virginia might by uniting with the Confederate States enjoy an incidental protection from the competition of Northern manufactures, of damages in certain cases," was taken up they would be overwhelmed with foreign manufactures imported under a low tariff; and experience has demonstrated that Northern manufacturers with all their advantages of capital and machinery are unable to prosper under a low tariff. But supposing it would prove otherwise, he did not desire Virginia to become a large manufacturing State or the people of the State of Virginia to become the "Yankees" of the South. He preferred that we should continue to devote our attention chiefly to the pursuits of agriculture and commerce.

Mr. B. closed his remarks with an earnest expression of his devotion th the Union and

Virginia. Mr. Bruce, of Halifax, then took the floor, and addressed the committee. He said in the course of his remarks that he told his people when brought before them as a candiural and the policy indicated by that inauguturned to black dispair. He was willing to make one more effort, and it shall be in the

Mr. Barbour presented a report of the proceedings of a meeting held in Culpeper county, in favor of Secession, which was read. and on his motion, laid upon the table. Mr. Dorman submitted the following reso

lutions, which, on motion of Mr. Brown. were laid upon the table. Resolved, That this Convention recommend

to the General Assembly the passage of a law imposing a licence tax on the sale by resing granite for the erection of a new Peni- tail, within Virginia, of the products of manufactures of such Northern States as continue to retain offensive acts of the character the Penitentiary now on hand, and of rent- known as "Personal Liberty Bills amongst their statues, guarding against any infringement of the provisions of the Federal Constitution.

Resolved, That the President of the Convention cause copies of the foregoing resolution to be communicated forthwith to the two Houses of the General Assembly.

## DIED.

In Washington, on the morning of the 23d instant, JAMES LAURIE HUTCHINSON, in the 26th year of his age.

### COMMERCIAL. Monetary.

The Secretary of the Treasury invites proposals for the \$5,000,000 of the \$17,000,000 loan authorized by Congress. The bids will be received till 12 o'clock, noon, on the 2d of April. The stock will bear 6 per cent interest, payable semi-unually, and will be reimbursable in twenty years. One per cent of the amount bid for is to be deposited before any bid will be considered, and no offer of less than \$1,000 will be considered .-The whole amount of the bids that may be acceptod must be deposited on or before the 15th of April. It is semi-officially stated that this sum will be sufficient for the wants of the Treasury during the present fiscal year.

Alexandria Market, March 25. The market to-day was quiet. Flour is steady, and prices remain unchanged. The receipts of Wheat on 'Change this morning were heavy .-We note sales at 120, 125, 130, 132, 135, and 140c. for fair to prime quality white, and red at 107, 110, 112, 120, and 122e, for ordinary to good quality. The offerings of Corn to-day were fair. There were sales at 57@58c. There were no of-

# ferings of Rye or Oats on 'Change.

BALTIMORE, March 25 .- Flour steady; Howard street and Ohie \$5ta \$5.121. Wheat active and firm; rod 125@130e.; white 140@165e. Corn nrm; yellow 59 (a 60c. Provisions steady. Coffee firm at 12] (613]c. Whiskey stendy at 17c.

NEW YORK, March 25 .- Flour has an upward tendency: sales of 10,000 bbls.: State \$5.15@ \$5.20; Ohia \$5.55@\$5 65; Southern \$5.40@\$5.70. Whoat has an upward tendency; sales of 15,000 bushels at an advance of lc.; red Western 132c. Corn has an upward tendency; sales of 20,000 bushels at an advance of 1c.; mixed 68c.; new yellow Southern 67c. Pork is steady; mess \$16.50; prime \$12.50@\$12.75. Lard is unchanged .-Whiskey is dull at 174 (6 172c. Stocks active and higher; Va. 6's 79c.; Mo. 6's 66c.

## Georgetown Cattle Market, March 15.

[Reported by J. Richard Smoot, Lice Stock Agent.] BEEF CATTLE .-- Offerings amounted to 54 head only; prices asked on opening the market—by the holders and owners of the Cattle-above their value, at 3 o'clock P. M., a number of the butchers finding no abatement in prices on the part of the sellers seceded in a body from the yards. A part of the butchers remaining purchased 13 of the 54 head offered at 4 to 5c. gross. The balance, 41

Hogs from \$7 to \$8 7 100 lbs. net. SHREP from \$4 to \$5 net. Cows and Calves from \$15 to \$30 6 head. VEAL CALVES from \$3 to \$5 7 head.

FEATHERS. - 500 fbs. Tennessee FEATHERS, received direct per Orange and Alexandria Railroad, for sale by WHEAT & BRO. mh 26 MASTERN HERRINGS AND MACKEREL. WM. H. FOWLE & SON,

No. 4. South Wharves. WOOD! WOOD!! WOOD!!! O AK AND PINE WOOD, for sale by mb 20 GEORGE H. ROBINSON.

SEED OATS.—White Poland Oats, for seed, for sale by [mh 5] WHEAT & BRO. [mb 5] WHEAT & BRO. | THIRTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS.

REPORTED FOR THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.

In Senate, Monday, March 25. The President of the Senate announced that the resolution introduced by Mr. flale for the election of Sergeant-at-Arms, Doorkeeper and Assistant Doorkeeper was first in

Mr. Hale moved that the resolution be permitted to lie upon the table that the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. Howe) might conclude his speech begun on Friday; agreed to. Mr. Powell introduced a resolution requesting the President to communicate to the Senate all dispatches from Maj. Anderson to the War Department during his command at Fort Sumter. Adopted.

The Senate then took up the Douglas res Mr. Howe, resumed his speech, commenced on Friday last, taking ultra republican

He considered this Government as being still composed of thirty-four States, and that twenty-six were still necessary to the adoption of amendments to the Constitution, notwithstanding the attempted withdrawal of seven of those States.

He was not in favor of war for subjugating the South, but he did not want to compromise with traitors. He only wanted to reat with the Union men of the border States. He wanted kind relations to be maintained with the people of those States, but the desire for this object should not lead them to do too much He contended that it was the duty of the

general government to prevent the subjugation of the Union men in the states which had seceded. He thought it would be a benefit for the slave states to keep their people at home and concluded by expressing a willingness to defend Kentucky against either foreign or domestic violence.

Mr. Douglas defended his resolutions, and arged that the Republican party had been compelled to adopt the 'squatter sovereignty' principle in the organization of the new territories, and that now that party was in power, it had abandoned the principles upon which it had won its victory. He said that by the territorial acts of Dacotah, Nevada, and Colorado had made all the territory of the United States free to slavery, and South of 36° 30° they had protection by the act of the people of New Mexico.

The Senate then went into Executive session, and having spent some time therein, adjourned.

Washington Gossip. Among the best consulates filled by the resent Administration are Ningpoo, China, \$3,000 per annum,) conferred on Willie P Hangum, jr., of N. C., (a son of ex-Senator Mangum,) and the St. Thomas Consulate, \$4,000 per annum,) conferred on Jno. T. Edgar, Esq., of Tenn., a brother-in-law of the Hon. J. J. Crittenden.

It is understood that on Saturday, besides concluding upon a large number of appointments in Minnesota and elsewhere in the interior, the President finally concluded upon the following: Viz. Hon. Henry Winter Davis, of Md., Minister to Russia, Mr. Shafeldt, onsul at Havana; Mr. Bigelow Lawrence, of Boston, (a son of the Hon, Abbot Lawrence.) consul at Florence; and Mr. Fay, (of the New York Tribune,) secretary of the legation to

are coming in upon President Lincoln from Louisiana and other seceded States. It is understood that Mr. Lippitt now

Secretary of the U. S. Legation a Vienca, will be retained in that position by the present Administration. Ex-Adjutant General Cooper, late of the . S. A., whos resignation we announced not

long since, is understood to have become the Adjutant General of the army of the Confed-We learn from New York to-day, that the U. S. loan to be disposed of on Monday next

will be all offered for from Wall street on much more favorable terms-very near or at par-than those obtained by Secretary Dix not long since. We find that the Cabinet have been in full meeting but three times since the fourth of March, and that the only occasion on

which appointments to office have been the subject matter of formal consideration in their meetings, was on Saturday last; the President having made nine-tenths of his appointments so far without considering it neessary to consult the Cabinet formally with reference to his selections. The resignations of Assistant Surgeon

W. A. Carswell, of S. C., and Jas. H. Bereler, of Ga., and of brevet 2d Lieut. Harold Borland, 5th Infantry of Ark., a son of Ex-Senator Solon, of that ilk, have been received at the War Department. Chief Engineer Benj. F. Isherwood has

been nominated by the President to be Eagineer-in-Chief of the United states Navy. Mr. R. S. Lawrence of Va., a \$1,200 pe annum clerk in the Census Bureau, is said to have resigned .- Wash. Star.

NEW STAGE LINE FROM THE PLAINS TO MIDDLEBURG! The subscriber having pur-The subscriber having purchased this MAIL ROUTE, begs

cave to inform the Travelling public, that on and after the 1st day of April, he will run a DAILY LINE between these points. He will have a comfortable Stage, good Horses, a careful and accommodating Driver, and will use every effort to make this route to and from Alexandria a popular one.

In order to save expense, Travellers will be careful to ask, at the Office in Alexandria, for Tickets for Middleburg." Fare to and from Alexandria, \$2.25. J. G. JOHNSON.

Middleburg, Va., unb 22-eott INSTRUCTION IN MUSIC.

MR. SCHELL wishes to acquaint his friends and the public, that he will give instruction on the Piano, Organ, Melodeon and in Vocal Music. He will with pleasure, refer all interested to the best musical references as to the success of his system of teaching, and the progress made by his numerous pupils. Terms \$15 for 22 lessons.— Small classes in Yocal Music instructed at a moderate price. Orders left with Doctor Klipstein, or at the Gazetie Office, will be promptly attended to. mh 21-eo3t\*

FOR RENT.—The three story STORE and DWELLING, on Fairfax, one door south of King street, next door to Mr. Richard L Carne's Store. The location is a good one for any kind of business, and the dwelling is very comfortable and convenient. The key may be had by applying to Mr. Carne. Possession given imme-[mh 25-dlw] F. J. MURPHY.

FOR RENT.—ARLINGTON MILL, on Four Mile Run, at the intersection of Colustbin Turnpike and the Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire Railroad, three miles from Washington, and six miles from Alexandria. Possession given April 1st. Apply to R. E. LEE, given April 1st. Apply to R. E. LEE, Washington City P. O.

DOUGLAS F. FORREST, ATTORNEY AT LAW, WILL practice in the Courts of Alexandria Act Office lately occupied by Judge Neale, Washington street, near corner of King.

LIVERPOOL SALT.

1000 1500 sacks Ashton's Salt, factory filled ten to the ton, per Brig Onward, daily expected, direct from Liverpool, for sale by FOWLE mh 20 TOBACCO, SEGARS, &c.

200 BOXES hard pressed Tobacco 100 bales and bbls. Smoking Tobacco 30,000 Cigars, part prime; Pipes, Pipe Heads, and Reed Stems, in store, and for sale by ALBERT W. GRAY & CO. mh 22

DATAPSCO FAMILY FLOUR, equal to Welch's, by the barrel or bag, a fresh supply, just received, and for sale by CHARLES J. WISE,

LOCAL ITEMS. PRESENTATION OF A FLAG TO THE MOUNT VERNON GUARDS .- Yesterday was the day selected for the presentation of a flag from the ladies of Alexandria to the Mount Vernon Guards. The weather has seldom been more genial, and all things were most pro-

pitious. At IO o'clock the Mount Vernon Guards, Capt. Devaughn, assembled at their armory, and after a short parade through the streets of the city, moved to the Lyceum Hall.

The windows and portico of the building were tilled with ladies, whose smiles lent additional animation to the scene, while the sidewalks and carriage-way of the vicinity were thronged with spectators, apparently much interested in the proceedings.

Upon arriving in front of the Hall the Guards formed in line, fronting towards the

The preliminaries of the presentation having been arranged, the flag prepared by the ladies was given to the breeze. The flag differs but little from the ordinary American ensign. The stripes are precisely the same both in color and number. The blue field in the corner of the flag bears on one side the inscription "Presented to the Mount Vernon Guards by the ladies of Alexandria. on their 20th Auniversary, and on the other side the coat of arms of the Commonwealth of Virginia, with the motto "Sic semper Tyrannis." The flag-staff is quite handsome, and the whole affair is of the most tasteful

Dr. Harold Snowden then advanced to the front of the portico and presented the flag in the following address:

Gentlemen of the Mount Vernon Guards:-I have been selected by the ladies of this city to present to you this beautiful flag, to be accepted by you, as an evidence of the honor and respec they entertain for true worth and gallant soldiership. Proud, I know you are, and justly so, of being the recipients of this token of the ladies esteem. What they approve, be sure is right, and what they endorse, subscribe to. Roceive it Sergeant, and guard and protect it as you would your heart's most precious blood, remembering that it is no slight honor to bear an emblem of woman's regard. If in the dim and misty future all its stars should again glitter on its folds with the consent of all, and occasion should require you to bear it aloft at the head of your company, what inspirations will you derive from the memory of the bright eyes and sympathetic hearts of those who gave it; and, if it should happen that in battle you are so tired, worn and wounded as to have no strength to carry it upon its staff, and would fain drop and die, remember but its fair donors, wrap it around you, and your step will regain its lost bouyancy, your heart its departed courage, your spirit its exhausted vigor, and again will it be seen leading on its followers to victory and glory.

Gentlemen, this flag is presented to you by those who know how to appreciate a soldier's worth, and who understand the value of a flag. Love and cherish it for their sakes. Love and cherish it for its own sake. It is the American flag-a good flag-one we have long honored and been proud of-one to the brilliant achievements of whose followers, we have listened in rapt delight in times gone by, as they were told to us by our grandsires -one that has done us good service, and one that has never been disgraced. If at any time passion, or excitement, or a sense of wrong, has led our own countrymen not to appreciate it, let us lament the occasion and the cause, and not dwell upon

idea of the perpetual unity of the States. Union and that alone was consulted in its construction, and adoption as our national flag. Its colors were obtained from those used on sea and land, by the original States, when they were Colonies; its stripes had their origin in the badges of ribbor worn by the officers of the Revolution to distinguish their rank-they had no golden epaulets; their number, thirteen, from the first thirteen States; and the stars were taken from the Constellation Lyra, in the Heavens, because the lyre was the symbol of harmony and unity among men, and with it Orpheus once made a journey through Hades itself and put to sleep the informal laws. Washington, Franklin, Lynch, Harrison and Reed were entrusted with the preparation of the flag, and though they are now resting in their honored graves, do you not sometimes imagine that you hear their voices arging upon the ralers of the land, peace and good will toward each other, and deprecating that spirit which is now striving to perpetually rend their country into different and hostile sections, and to destroy the compound brilliant that now adorus the azure field of the

flag of their devising. Gentlemen, upon your flag, in beautiful and rich colors, is painted the coat of arms of the State of Virginia-the Goddess of Liberty standing triumphant over the body of a crushed and fallen tyrant. The sentiment expressed by this device is worthy of Virginia-worthy of her brave children. Tyrants were created but for one purpose -to be crushed by the people, and come they among us in whatsoever questionable shape they may, Virginia, to whose commands you owe su preme obedience, will always find the means to execute their doom. Virginia is our Common Mo ther-to her we owe love and fidelity-and to her we will cling, whether this gorgeous ensign,

V. Rozier. All persons are warned against ne-"Known and honored throughout the world" shall wave over as, or not. Gentlemen, prize dearly your flag-its honor in the keeping of the Mount Vernon Guards will al-

Capt. S. H. Devaughn, on the part of the Mount Vernon Guards, responded as follows: Most respected Sir: It is with pride and pleasure that I present myself before you upon this occasion, to receive on behalf of the Mount Vernon Guards this beautiful token of friendship which the ladies of Alexandria, through you, have so kindly be stowed upon as; and as a company we hail the gift of this flag-the stars and stripes-together with the motto of our glorious old State, as one of the greenest spots in our history, created by the

warm and open hand of friendship. We feel proud that our mission as citizen soldiers has not been totally in vain. We feel proud as American soldiers that there beams upon us woman's approving smile. God grant that by no net of ours, either in peace or in war, we may ever fail to merit woman's smiles. There is something in the character of woman that commands the ad miration and merits the study of man the world over. Go with me but to the buttle field of Mexico, and you will find that it was woman's hands that raised aloft our ensign of freedom, when by a shot of the enemy the Stars and Stripes had been striken from the ramparts. So may it ever be in war and in peace.

"The star spangled banner, long may it wave, O'er the land of the free and the home of the Again ladies, we thank you for this token of riendship. It will serve to cheer us on in peace, and inspire us in war as a memento of the past. The band then played the "Star spangled

banner" and the flag was greated with loud The military saluted the flag, and the ensign bearing it took his place in the line, the company marching off and performing several military evolutions in fine style, much 20 Crushed SUGAR, received and for sale by to the delight of the assembled bystanders. The Guards were accompanied on the occasion by the officers of the "Old Dominion

Rifles" in the soldier-like uniform of the

The Guards were entertained by Mr. Robt. Edelin at his residence on Pitt street, after which they proceeded to Washingt in and paraded through the principal avenues, and were entertained in a very handsome style by their former captain, Mathias Snyder, esq. The company returned home at an early hour and dismissed highly delighted with all the occurrences of the day.

in that city, and retains, by order of the Court, begus and counterfeit notes on twenty-seven banks, amounting to two hundred and sixty thousand dollars; also, the plates, dies mh 20 CLOVERSEED.—200 bashels, receiving to-day from Ohio and Pennsylvania, for sale by WHEAT & BRO. sixty thousand dollars; also, the plates, dies, etc. The larger packages contain the follow- = HHDS. PRIME ENGLISH ISLAND MOing: -\$30,000 in counterfeits of the Bank of O LASSES, received this day, and for sale by Augusta, Maine; \$60,000 in unsigned counterfeits of the State Bank of Ohio; \$30,000 bogus notes of the Columbian Bank of Wash. ington city; \$30,000 in counterfeit Farmers and Mechanics' Bank of Virginia; \$8,600 of of seven denominations, counterfeits of the Camden Bank of New Jersey; four plates of by the above, dies of the denomination of ten cents, one dollar, and two-and-a-half dollar pieces. [The Washington Star says this money is not counterfeit but a "wild-cut" being the assets of the bogus "Columbia" Bank of cor. of Prince and Pitt-sts. 'Washington' stored away years ago.]

THE STEAMER MOUNT VERNON. - This steamer, that was aground in old Enhaven. Little Egg Harbor, was gotten off safely, and has arrived at New York in good order. Her cargo has been shipped on board schooners

for this place. ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.-A young lady, in the southern part of the city, attempted to commit suicide yesterday morning by taking laudanum, but by prompt medica! asisstance, serious consequences were prevented.

BAPTISM .- Eight persons were baptised at the Baptist Church, Washington street, on Sunday night-Rev. Mr. Bitting officiating. The Church was crowded on the occa-ion, and the sermon was a most excellent one.

THE ADAMS' EXPRESS COMPANY have arranged a tariff of freight on goods intended for the Confederate States, to be paid by the consignors.

THE ALARM OF FIRE last night, about 71 0'clock, was caused by the burning of a chimney at the upper end of Prince street.

We are again under obligations to he agent of Adams' Express Company for New Orleans and Memphis papers in advance of the mail.

AN INTERESTING EPISODE.-Immediately upon the adjournment of the State Convenion on Saturday, the entire assemblage was detained by an interesting event, which seems to have been anticipated only by a portion of the fair sex present. Mr. John Critcher, the Representative from Westmoreland and Richmond counties approached Mr. Baldwin, of Augusta, with a beautiful and luxurant wreath, and in a handsome speech of a few minutes duration, presented him the fragrant and typical testimonial, on behalf of the ladies of Richmond. The wreath was composed of arbor vitæ, geraneums, white and red roses, blue hyacinths, and other flowers of the same hues, and was bound together with rich ribbons, representing the same idea of the flag of the Union .-It was presented in token of the appreciation of the ladies of the eloquent and masterly address in favor of the Union, by the gifted representative of Augusta. Mr. Ballwin responded in appropriate terms, breath ing a spirt of patriotism which all seemed to feel, and which all applauded. - Corr. of Peterslarg Exp.

### Fire at New York. New York, March 24 .- Canterbury Hall well known concert and drinking saloon,

was destroyed by fire this morning. The oss is heavy, but was fully insured.

N THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FAIRFAX COUNTY, November term, 1860; Reginald Fairfax, against Benjamin Thernton, &c., In Chancery. This cause coming on to be heard this ith day of November, 1860, upon the papers ormerly read, together with the report of Comnissioner Moore, and the exceptions filed by the lefendant, Benjamin Thornton, and was argued by Counsel, upon consideration whereof the Court doth sustain the said exception, and commits he said report to the Commissioner for further enquiry pursuant to the decree made in this cause it the last term of the Court-and that he return is proceedings herein to the next term of this Court, stating any matter he may deem pertinent or which either of the parties may require to have specially stated; but before he shall proceed to our weeks successively, in the Alexandria Caette and Fairlax County News, advertise the ime and place of taking said account, which shall be deemed equivalent to personal service on all persons interested in this cause. A Copy-Teste: F. D. RICHARDSON, Clerk.

DURSUANT TO THE DECREE of the Circuit Court of Fairfax County, rendered at its June term, 1860, in the suit of Reginald Fairfax vs. Benjamin Thornton, of which the above is an office copy, I hereby give notice to all concerned herein that I have fixed the 30th day of March ext, as the time, and the office of Henry W. homas, at Fairfax Court House, as the place, when and where I shall proceed to execute said Given under my hand this 21st day of Februa-

THOMAS MOORE. Comm'r. Chancery Circuit Court, Fairfax Co Fairfax county, Va., feb 26-w4w DRESH MEDICINES .- Fluid Ext. Sarsapa-

rilla; Fluid Ext. Cemicifuga; Croup Syrup

Syrup of Ipecae; Syrup Squills; Spiced Syrup o Rhubarb; Donovan's Syrup of Bark; Landauum; Paregorie: Syrup of Wild Cherry Bark, &c., &c. Freshly prepared by MILBURN & BRO.. Chemists and Druggists, N. E. cor. of King and Wash-sts. LOST! LOST!! LOST!!! MERTIFICATE of Corporation Stock for one / hundred dollars, standing in name of Francis

gotiating for said stock, as payment will be stoped, and a duplicate applied for. F. W. ROZIER. mh 15-2aw4w SEED! SEED!! SEED!!! LOT of prime Clover and Timothy Seeds A and Grass, just received, and for sale by PARTLOW, HILL & CO. UMP AND GROUND PLASTER .- 500 tons WM. H. FOWLE & SON, d for sale by

No. 4. South Wharves. COTTON YARN. LBS. SOUTHERN YARN, direct from the factory, and for sale by mh 22 ALBERT W. GRAY & CO. OF BBLS. HOLLADAY'S FAMILY FLOUR 20 a very superior article, in store and for sale HUMPHREYS & TALIFERRO.

TEW ORLEANS SUGAR .- 5 hhds., landing Y from Schr. Arctic, for sale by WM. H. FOWLE & SON, No 4, South Wharves. § CE. -225 tons BOSTON ICE, (17 inches thick) I to arrive, and for sale by F. A. REED & CO.,

CALAD OIL, French, English, and American Mustard, and a general assortment of Spices. CHARLES J. WISE, For sale by cor. of Prince and Pitt-sts. TRESH GOSHEN BUTTER -Received this

day per steamer Monticello 20 packages prime GOSHEN BUTTER. GARRET HULST. A PPLES .- 100 bbls, prime Apples, this day landing from Schr. Shropshire, for sale by F. A. REED & CO., No. 6, South Wharves, O. BBLS. Jos. S. Lovering & Co.'s Standard

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DRIED CHERRIES! DRIED CHERRIES! -Superior quality, for sale by mh 19 PEACH-BLOW POTATOES, for sale by WM. II. FOWLE & SON. No. 4. South Wharves DURE RYE WHISKEY .- 30 bbls. Linden WHISKEY, (all Rye,) in store, and for saic HUMPHREYS & TALIAFERRO.

MERCER POTATOES.—200 bushels White Mercer Potatoes, for sale by mh 6 J. N. HARPER & CO. Detective Reese, of Washington, has seized that city, and retains, by order of the 20 BAGS PRIME RIO COFFEE, received this day and for sale by J. E. DOUGLASS.

> mh 19 TINEGAR .- 100 bbls. Cider VINEGAR, for V sale at Northern prices to the trade. J. N HARPER & CO. mh 14 CLOVERSEED. -200 bushels very choice, landing this day from Pennsylvania, for sale WHEAT & BRO.

TARESH ROLL BUTTER .- 1 barrel choice ROLL BUTTEN, received and for sale by Country Cared Hams and Sides, of very W. Scrauton, member of Congress from the Twelith district of Pennsylvania, died here superior quality, [mh a] KNOX & BRO. to-day at forty-five minutes past twelve p. m.

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### BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH. VIRGINIA CONVENTION.

RICHMOND, March 25 .- In the Convention, to-day, Mr. Bruce, in Committee of the Whole, continued his speech commencginia, and favored presenting an ultimatum to the North with the alternative that Virginia will secede if it be rejected.

The question was put on striking out the report of the Committee on Federal Relations, and inserting Mr. Carlile's substitute, but Mr. Wise desired to be heard, stating that he was now physically unable gother the farm is one of the most desirable in to make a speech. He said, however, that he occupied the middle ground, and was endeavoring to reconcile the hostile sections. The debate continued until the recess, no vote having been taken,

EVENING SESSION.

RICHMOND, March 25 .- The Committee of the Whole refused to strike out the majority report and insert Mr. Carlile's Peace Conference Substitute, by 116 to 4.

Mr. Carlile moved to adjourn sine die, pending which the Convention adjourned till to-morrow.

There is some excitement here to-night in consequence of an order received at the Ballona Foundry from Washington, to send the guns on hand to Fortress Monroe forthwith.

### FROM WASHINGTON.

THE GAZETTE'S SPECIAL DISPATCH. WASHINGTON, March 25 .- The Senate today, among others, confirmed the following nominations: Wilson Gilpin, Governor of

Joshua R. Giddings, Consul to the British American Provinces. Mark H. Dunnall, of Maine, Consul at

Colorado.

Vera Cruz. John Britton, of New York, Consul at Southampton.

W. O. Williams, of District of Columbia.

second Lieutenant in the Army; and Mc-

Lane, Tilton, Maryland, second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. Among many other nominations pending, are the following: Hiram Barney, Collector for New York, Richard C. Parsons, of Ohio. Consul at Rio Janeiro, Robert W. Sheffield, of New York, Consul at Havana, and B. Lawrence, of Massachusetts, Consul at

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, March 25 .- Benj. F Sherwood of New York, has been appointed Engineer-in-chief of the Navy, vice Wm. Archibold, resigned.

adjournment, which will take place probably on Wednesday next. R. Woodbridge, of Vermont, has been appointed paymaster in the Navy.

Important News from Charleston. CHARLESTON, March 23 .- Capt. Ferguson, of the steamer Planter, who returned this

morning from Fort Sumter, reports no prepations for evacuation. Major Anderson was increasing the delenses by pouring molten lead in the crevices of the sally ports, strenghening the weak stone work. &c. Capt. F. ening the weak stone work, &c. Capt. F. carried the furniture of Capt. Foster from Sullivan's Island to Fort Sumter-indicating no present prospect of breaking up housekeeping.

The policy about Major Anderson being allowed to leave with the honors of war is under consideraration. The Columbia sailed to-day without taking his men.

The works on Morris Island have advanced with such rapidity that no fleet with reinforcements can pass the batteries .-There is the utmost vigilance night and day and all suspicious vessels are obliged to come

The evacation of Fort Sumter was confi-

curred. Major Anderson declines receiving verbal orders to evacuate Fort Sumter. CHARLESTON, March 25 .- Col. Lamon arrived here yesterday, from Washington. After an interview with Gov. Pickens and Gen. Beauregard, to-day, he visited Fort

immediately. Extraordinary Attempt at Bank Robbery. NEW YORK March 25.—A most extraordi- portion of the money.

P. J. EGGBORN, Trustee. nary attempt was made last night to rob the Exchange Bank. The burglars had excavated seventy feet and gained an entrance into the vault, but daylight having surprized them, they did not gain access to the safe .--They however, secured a tin box on top of the sale containing \$1000

### been arrested on suspicion. Georgia Convention.

Augusta, March 24-The State Convention adjourned on Saturday night, after having adopted a State Constitution which is to field Station, on the Orange and Alexandria Railbe ratified or rejected by the people at an election to be held in July next. Despatches from Montgomery report noth-

points at the South are concentrating at Pen-Arrival of the California Mail Steamer-The

Revolution in New Granada.

The Confederate troops from different

ng new there.

the Government flotilla.

New York, March 25 .- The steamer Champion with the California mails of the lst instant, has arrived. He advices are anicipated. The revolutionists have gained successes n New Granada, including the capture of

Destructive Fire in Farmville-Loss \$12,000! FARMVILLE, VA., March 24.-The extensive O'acco manufactory of Messrs. Peters & day of sale, the interest to be paid annually. The Blanton, with five adjoining buildings, were burned last night. Loss \$12,000-\$5,000 of which is covered

by insurance. The buildings being composed of very combustible material, created a terrific blaze, and burnt with great rapidity. 24 miles of Brandy Station, in the county of Cul-

### NEW YORK, March 25 .- The steamer Bienville is now under surveillance by the Custom House authorities here, she not having the proper clearances under the coastwise trade act. The steamer and cargo are liable

Commercial Coastwise Difficulties

to forfeiture. Death of a Member of Congress. SCRANTON, Pa., March 24.-The Hou G. W. Scrauton, member of Congress from the

# AUCTION SALES.

COMMISSIONERS SALE OF LAND .- BY J virtue of the decree of the Circuit Court of Loudoun, pronounced on the 1st day of May, 1860, in the case of Thomas Davy complainant, against Gibson Gregg, and others, defendants in Chancery, the undersigned, Commissioners of sale, named in said decree, will in front of the Court House, in Lecsburg, about neon, on Monday, the 8th day of April, 1861, offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, all that tract or parcel of land, in the county of Loudoun, on the waters of Beverdam, now in the occur ancy of said ed on Saturday. He took the ground that the Morrill bill would be ruinous to Virand 33 Perches of Land. There is a fine BRICK

DWELLING HOUSE on the premises, a good Stone Negro quarters, and other usual Out-Buildings in good condition. There is an abundance of water in every field on the farm; a fine Orchard of Excellent f-uit; an abundance of first-rate TIMBER, and the land is of as fine quality as any in the county of Loudoun. The neighborhood is perfectly healthy; the society is pleasant and agreeable, and alto-

the county. TERMS OF SALE .- Ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale, as a deposit, to be forfeited on the failure of the purchaser to complete his purchase-the residue in three equal instalments, bearing interest from the day of sale, and payable in 6, 12, and 18 months from the day of sale. The purchaser to execute his bonds for the deferred instalments, and the

title to be retained till the purchase money be all B. P. NOLAND, M. HARRISON, Commissioners. L. CHANCELLOR, ) Loudoun co., feb 2-eots

COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF VALUABLE LOUDOUN LAND .- Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Loudeun, made on the 22d day of October, 1860, in the case of Alexander J. Lacey, Administrator of M. H. Lacey, dec'd,. vs. Lafayette W. Swart and Burr Swart, the undersigned, Commissioners, will offer at public auction, at the front door of the Court House, in Leesburg, Loudoun county, Virginia, on Monday, the 22nd day of April, 1861, about 12 o'clock, M., that being the first day of the Circuit Court, the

following REAL ESTATE.

1st. A TRACT OF LAND, containing 140 ACRES, formerly owned by C. F. Swart, on Little River, I mile from Aldie, adjoining the lands of John W. Fairfax, Sandford Gulick, and Mrs. Wm. Gulick. 2d. A TRACT OF LAND, containing 60

ACRES, adjoining the above, the lands of Zerega Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor's dower land, and is the land allotted to Burr Swart in the division of the real estate of his father, the late James Swart. 3d. The undivided interest of Burr Swart supposed to be TWO-TENTH of the reversion in the dower land (200 acres) of Mrs. Elizabeth Swart. Persons desiring further information in regard

to the property, can obtain it by applying to either of the Commissioners. TERMS .- Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale; the residue to be divided into three equal instalments, interest from the day of sale, payable one on the confirmation of the sale, one in one year, and the other in two years from the day of sale,-the purchaser to execute his bonds for the deferred instalments; the title to be withheld until the purchase money is all paid.

MATTHEW HARRISON, HENRY HEATON, Comm'rs. JOHN M. ORR, B. P. NOLAND, W. B. NOLAND, Auctioneer Londoun co., mb 21-eots DUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE NEAR MANASSAS JUNCTION .- By virtue of a deed of trust, executed by Joseph W. Roseberry

and wife, on the 16th day of August, 1851, and of The Cabinet is in session to-day on the aprecord in the Clerk's Office of Prince William pointments to fill vacancies which it is nec- | County Court, in Liber No. 21, page 348-the unessary for the Senate to act on previous to its | dersigned therein named as Trustee, and for the purposes of said trust, will, DAY OF APRIL, 1861, (that being Court day,) at the front door of the Court House of said county, proceed to sell at public auction, two TRACTS OF LAND. The first containing THREE HUN-DRED and FIFTY-ONE ACRES, TWO ROODS, and TWO POLES, is situated within one-and-ahalf miles of Manassas Junction, on the Orango and Alexandria Railroad, and is as good soil as any in the State, and in a fine state of improvement. The buildings which are all new, consist

> former, and is nearly all in fine TIMBER. By agreement of parties, these lands will be sold on accommodating terms, viz:-One-tenth of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale, and the residue in deferred payments of 6, 12, and 18 months, the purchaser giving bonds, with appro-

ved personal security, bearing interest from day of sale, and a deed of trust on the lands, to secure the same. This sale offers rare inducements to purchasers. Selling as Trustee, I shall convey such title as is vested in me, which is considered unquestionable. F. A. WEEDON, Trustee.

Prince William County, Va., feb 28-eots TRUSTEE'S SALE OF LAND IN THE L COUNTY OF CULPEPER.-By virtue of a deed of trust, executed by William H. Perry to the undersigned, bearing date the 22d day of October, 1856, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of dently anticipated, and reported to have octhe County Court of Culpeper, I shall, on Wednesday, the 17th day of April, 1861, sell, at public auction, on the premises, for cash, the TRACT OF LAND conveyed in said deed of trust, known as "MOUNTAIN VIEW," lying in the County of Culpeper, 21 miles from the Turupike Road, leading from Sperryville to Warrenton, Fauquier County. The Tract contains 716 ACRES, exclusive of a half acre, which is reserved. The situ-Sumter in company with Col. Duryea. On ation is healthy and romantic, with facilities to his return he was well received, and is to market; with an abundance of fine water; an have another interview with Gen. Beaure- abundance of fine timber of original growth, consisting of Pine, Oak, Hickory, &c. The soil origard this afternoon. He leaves for Washginally good, well adapted to the growth of Grain, ington, to-night, and hopes to return again Grass, &c. It is peculiarly suited to the grazing and raising of Sheep. An arrangement can be made on the day of sale to sell the above Truct of Land on time, by the purchaser paying down a

Culpeper county, mh 9-eots

OSSIAN HALL FOR SALE.—By virtue of a doed of trust executed by Francis A. Diokins and Margaret H. Dickins, to the undersigned, dated 27th of October, 1857, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of Fairfax county, I shall, on Monday, the 15th day of April, 1861, (Court day,) sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, before the The burglars escaped, but one person has front of Fairfax Court House, for cash, the tract of land described in said deed, known as OS-SIAN HALL farm (the present residence of F. A. Dickins,) situated in the county of Fairfax, about one mile from Anandale Post Office, on the Little River Turnpike Road, two from Springroad, 8 from Alexandria, and 12 from Washington city. The tract contains about 600 ACRES, of which 150 are in the original timber. The improvements consist in part of a commodious DWELLING. Overseer's House, Quarters, large Barn, and other necessary out-buildings, and

large ORCHARDS of fine fruit. JAMES THRIFT, Trustee. Fairfax C. H., Va., mh 14-eots DUBLIC SALE .- I will offer at public sale, on Tuesday, the 16th day of April, 1861, at the late residence of Barsheba Silcott, the farm known as the Silcott Spring Farm, containing about 80 ACRES. The improvements are a stone DWEL-LING HOUSE, stone barn and shed, and other necessary buildings, in good repair. A detailed description is deemed unnecessary. Persons desiring to purchase would do well to ex-

amine the property before the day of sale, which will be shown by Eli Silcott, on the premises, or by the subscriber. TERMS .- One third of the purchase money will be required in hand, one-third in one year, and the remainder in two years, with interest from the purchaser will be required to give a deed of trust

for the deferred payments. Attention will be given by WILLIAM SILCOTT. Executor of Barsheba Silcott, dec'd. Loudoun county, mh 11-eots GOOD LITTLE FARM FOR SALE .-- I

peper, containing 234 ACRES of as fine soil as there is in Virginia. There is a fair supply of TIMBER, the land well watered, and very accessible to all the fields. It is rarely that so handsome and fertile a little FARM can be purchased.

LOCUST HILL will be in market privately

until the 28th day of March, when, if not sold, it will be offered at public auction, to the highest bidder. Terms made known on the day of sale.

JOHN J. WAYMAN. Brandy Station, Culpeper Co., feb 13-eetd

Pickles. -5 harrels Cucumber pickles, receivand for sale by GARRET HULST.